107TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 601

To ensure the continued access of hunters to those Federal lands included within the boundaries of the Craters of the Moon National Monument in the State of Idaho pursuant to Presidential Proclamation 7373 of November 9, 2000, and to continue the applicability of the Taylor Grazing Act to the disposition of grazing fees arising from the use of such lands, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 13, 2001

Mr. SIMPSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1	SECTION 1. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR
2	FEDERAL LANDS RECENTLY ADDED TO CRA-
3	TERS OF THE MOON NATIONAL MONUMENT,
4	IDAHO.
5	(a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:
6	(1) Presidential Proclamation 7373 of Novem-
7	ber 9, 2000 (65 Fed. Reg. 69221), expanded the
8	boundaries of the Craters of the Moon National
9	Monument in the State of Idaho to include approxi-
10	mately 661,287 additional acres of Federal lands
11	and interests in lands (in this section referred to as
12	the "expansion area").
13	(2) Before the inclusion of the expansion area
14	in the national monument, these Federal lands were
15	open to hunting consistent with the laws of the State
16	of Idaho and grazing consistent with the Act of June
17	28, 1934 (43 U.S.C. 315 et seq.; commonly known
18	as the Taylor Grazing Act).
19	(3) The proclamation contained the expressed
20	intent to neither enlarge nor diminish the jurisdic-
21	tion of the State of Idaho with respect to fish and
22	wildlife management in the expansion area and stat-
23	ed that the laws, regulations, and policies followed
24	by the Bureau of Land Management in issuing and
25	administering grazing permits or leases on lands

under its jurisdiction would continue to apply.

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- 1 (4) However, the proclamation also gave the 2 National Park Service primary management author-3 ity over a portion of the expansion area under the same laws and regulations that applied to the na-5 tional monument before November 9, 2000, and 6 these laws and regulations prohibit hunting and 7 raise concerns regarding the future disposition of 8 grazing fees arising from the use of the expansion 9 area.
- 10 (b) CONTINUED ACCESS FOR HUNTING.—Those por11 tions of the expansion area that were open for hunting
 12 before the issuance of Presidential Proclamation 7373 of
 13 November 9, 2000, shall remain open to hunting under
 14 the jurisdiction and laws of the State of Idaho notwith15 standing the addition of the expansion area to the Craters
 16 of the Moon National Monument.
- 17 (c) DISPOSITION OF GRAZING FEES.—The Act of
 18 June 28, 1934 (43 U.S.C. 315 et seq.; commonly known
 19 as the Taylor Grazing Act), shall continue to apply to the
 20 disposition of grazing fees arising from the use of the ex21 pansion area notwithstanding the addition of the expan22 sion area to the Craters of the Moon National Monument.